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For: 2-Ethyl-4,6-Dimethyl-Phenyl-Substituted Tetramic Acid Derivatives

as Pest Control Agents and/or Herbicides

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of \$130.00 to cover one (1) month extension of time; and
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